

**UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
TRANSMITTAL**

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

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| Attorney Docket No.    | IDF 2648 (4000-16900)               |
| First Inventor         | Joel M. Walker                      |
| Title                  | Invoice Mediation System and Method |
| Express Mail Label No. | EL 989053307 US                     |

**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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| <p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)<br/>(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)</p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status.<br/>See 37 CFR 1.27.</p> <p>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specification [Total Pages 26 ]<br/>(preferred arrangement set forth below)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Descriptive title of the invention</li><li>- Cross Reference to Related Applications</li><li>- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R &amp; D</li><li>- Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix</li><li>- Background of the Invention</li><li>- Brief Summary of the Invention</li><li>- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)</li><li>- Detailed Description</li><li>- Claim(s)</li><li>- Abstract of the Disclosure.</li></ul> <p>4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 4 ]</p> <p>5. Oath and Declaration [Total Pages 2 ]</p> <p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Newly executed (original or copy)</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))<br/>(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)</p> <p>i. <input type="checkbox"/> <u>DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)</u><br/>Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).</p> <p>6. <input type="checkbox"/> Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76</p> | <p>7. <input type="checkbox"/> CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)</p> <p>8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)</p> <p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Readable Form (CRF)</p> <p>b. Specification Sequence Listing on:</p> <p>i. <input type="checkbox"/> CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or</p> <p>ii. <input type="checkbox"/> paper</p> <p>c. <input type="checkbox"/> Statements verifying identity of above copies</p> |
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| <p>9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignment Papers (cover sheet &amp; document(s))</p> <p>10. <input type="checkbox"/> 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)</p> <p>11. <input type="checkbox"/> English Translation Document (if applicable)</p> <p>12. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449</p> <p>13. <input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Amendment</p> <p>14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)<br/>(Should be specifically itemized)</p> <p>15. <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)<br/>(if foreign priority is claimed)</p> <p>16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.</p> <p>17. <input type="checkbox"/> Other: .....</p> | <p><input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Copies of IDS Citations</p> |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation | <input type="checkbox"/> Divisional | <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation-in-Part (CIP) | of prior application No.: |
| Prior application information:        |                                     |   | Group/Art Unit:           |

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| Name (Print/Type) | Michael W. Piper | Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) | 39,800          |
| Signature         | Michael W. Piper |                                   | Date: 2/18/2004 |

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**FEE TRANSMITTAL  
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| Application Number     | New Application       |
| Filing Date            | Herewith              |
| First Named Inventor   | Joel M. Walker        |
| Examiner Name          | Not Yet Assigned      |
| Group Art Unit         | Not Yet Assigned      |
| Attorney Docket Number | IDF 2648 (4000-16900) |

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** \$ 1,008.00**METHOD OF PAYMENT (Check all that apply)**☐ Check ☐ Credit Card ☐ Money Order ☐ Other ☐ None☒ Deposit Account:  
Deposit Account Number: 21-0765  
Deposit Account Name: Sprint

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☒ Charge any additional fee(s) during the pendency of this application  
☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee to the above-identified deposit account**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING FEE**

| Large Entity        |          | Small Entity |          | Fee Description        | Fee Paid         |
|---------------------|----------|--------------|----------|------------------------|------------------|
| Code                | Fee (\$) | Code         | Fee (\$) |                        |                  |
| 1001                | 770      | 2001         | 385      | Utility filing Fee     | \$ 770.00        |
| 1002                | 340      | 2002         | 170      | Design filing fee      | \$               |
| 1003                | 530      | 2003         | 265      | Plant filing fee       | \$               |
| 1004                | 770      | 2004         | 385      | Reissue filing fee     | \$               |
| 1005                | 160      | 2005         | 80       | Provisional filing fee | \$               |
| <b>SUBTOTAL (1)</b> |          |              |          |                        | <b>\$ 770.00</b> |

**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE**

|                    |        | Extra Claims |         | Fee from below |        | Fee Paid |
|--------------------|--------|--------------|---------|----------------|--------|----------|
| Total Claims       |        |              |         |                |        |          |
| 31                 | - 20** | = 11         | x 18.00 | = \$           | 198.00 |          |
| Independent Claims | 3      | - 3**        | = 0     | x 86.00        | = \$   | 00.00    |
| Multiple Dependent |        |              |         | 280.00         | = \$   | 00.00    |

| Large Entity |          | Small Entity |          | Fee Description  |
|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|--|
| Code         | Fee (\$) | Code         | Fee (\$) |  |
| 1202         | 18       | 2202         | 9        | Claims in excess of 20                                     |
| 1201         | 86       | 2201         | 43       | Independent Claims in excess of 3                          |
| 1203         | 290      | 2203         | 145      | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid                      |
| 1204         | 86       | 2204         | 43       | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent         |
| 1205         | 18       | 2205         | 9        | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

**SUBTOTAL (2)** \$ 198.00

\*\* or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

| Large Entity |          | Small Entity |          | Fee Description  | Fee Paid |
|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|--|----------|
| Code         | Fee (\$) | Code         | Fee (\$) |  |          |
| 1051         | 130      | 2051         | 65       | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath  | \$       |
| 1052         | 50       | 2052         | 25       | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet                     | \$       |
| 1053         | 130      | 1053         | 130      | Non-English specification  | \$       |
| 1812         | 2,520    | 1812         | 2,520    | For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination                     | \$       |
| 18042        | 920*     | 1804         | 920*     | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action                     | \$       |
| 1805         | 1,840*   | 1805         | 1,840*   | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action                        | \$       |
| 1251         | 110      | 2251         | 55       | Extension for reply within first month                                     | \$       |
| 1252         | 420      | 2252         | 210      | Extension for reply within second month                                    | \$       |
| 1253         | 950      | 2253         | 475      | Extension for reply within third month                                     | \$       |
| 1254         | 1,480    | 2254         | 740      | Extension for reply within fourth month                                    | \$       |
| 1255         | 2,010    | 2255         | 1,005    | Extension for reply within fifth month                                     | \$       |
| 1401         | 330      | 2401         | 165      | Notice of Appeal   | \$       |
| 1402         | 330      | 2402         | 165      | Filing a brief in support of an appeal                                     | \$       |
| 1403         | 290      | 2403         | 145      | Request for oral hearing   | \$       |
| 1451         | 1,510    | 1452         | 1,510    | Petition to institute a public use proceeding                              | \$       |
| 1452         | 110      | 2452         | 55       | Petition to revive - unavoidable   | \$       |
| 1453         | 1,330    | 2453         | 665      | Petition to revive - unintentional   | \$       |
| 1501         | 1,330    | 2501         | 665      | Utility issue fee (or reissue)   | \$       |
| 1502         | 480      | 2502         | 240      | Design issue fee   | \$       |
| 1503         | 640      | 2503         | 320      | Plant issue fee  | \$       |
| 1460         | 130      | 1460         | 130      | Petitions to the Commissioner  | \$       |
| 1807         | 50       | 1806         | 50       | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(g)  | \$       |
| 1806         | 180      | 1806         | 180      | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt                                  | \$       |
| 8021         | 40       | 8021         | 40       | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | \$ 40.00 |
| 1809         | 770      | 2809         | 385      | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))              | \$       |
| 1810         | 770      | 2810         | 385      | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))           | \$       |
| 1801         | 770      | 2801         | 385      | Request for Continued Examination (RCE)                                    | \$       |
| 1802         | 900      | 1802         | 900      | Request for expedited examination of a design application                  | \$       |

Other fee (specify) \$

\*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

**SUBTOTAL (3)** \$ 40.00**SUBMITTED BY****Complete (if applicable)**

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| Name (Print/Type) | Michael W. Piper        | Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) | 39,800    | Telephone | (972) 731-2288 |
| Signature         | <i>Michael W. Piper</i> | Date                              | 2/18/2004 |           |                |

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UNDER  
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(I)**

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| First Named Inventor | Joel M. Walker                      |
| Title                | Invoice Mediation System and Method |
| Atty Docket Number   | IDF 2648 (4000-16900)               |

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

2/18/2004

Date

Michael W. Piper

Signature

Michael W. Piper

Typed or Printed Name

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